

Box: PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Accompanying Divisional Application under 37 CFR
1.53(b) :

Prior Application: G. TSUKUDA
Serial No. 08/975,227
Filed: November 21, 1997

Group Art Unit: 2765
Examiner: J. Patel
For: A DELIVERY MANAGING SYSTEM

REQUEST FOR DIVISIONAL APPLICATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)

Box: Patent Application
Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing a divisional application
under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial
No. 08/975,227, filed on November 21, 1997, entitled A
DELIVERY MANAGING SYSTEM, by the inventor named in the prior
application.

1. Enclosed is a copy of the prior application,
including the Declaration as originally filed.

2. The Filing Fee is calculated below:

**CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION
LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELED BY AMENDMENT BELOW**

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| Basic Fee | | | | | | | | | | \$ 690.00 |
| Total Claims | 3 | - | 20 | = | 0 | x | 18 | = | \$ | 0.00 |
| Independent Claims | 3 | - | 3 | = | 0 | x | 78 | = | \$ | 0.00 |
| Total Filing Fee | | | | | | | | | | \$ 690.00 |

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3. A check including the amount of \$690.00 is enclosed to cover the Filing Fee.

4. Cancel claims 3 and 5-21 before calculating the Filing Fee.

5. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-1540. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed for this purpose.

6. Amend the specification by inserting, before the first line:

--This is a divisional application of U.S. Serial No. 08/975,227, filed November 21, 1997.--

7. New drawings are enclosed, fifteen (15) sheets, Figs. 1-19.

8. The power of attorney is set forth in the Declaration in the prior application or an associate power of attorney is hereby granted to:

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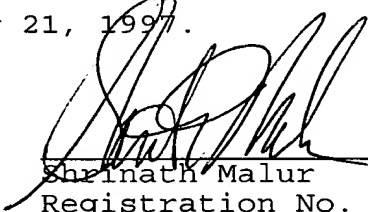
9. The prior application is assigned to Hitachi, Ltd.

10. Priority of the following Japanese patent application is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119:

No. 8-317438, filed November 28, 1996.

The certified priority document has been filed in the parent application, Serial No. 08/975,227.

The undersigned hereby declares that no matter contained in the specification, including the claims, and drawings filed in the present divisional application would have been new matter in the prior application Serial No. 08/975,227, as originally filed on November 21, 1997.



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